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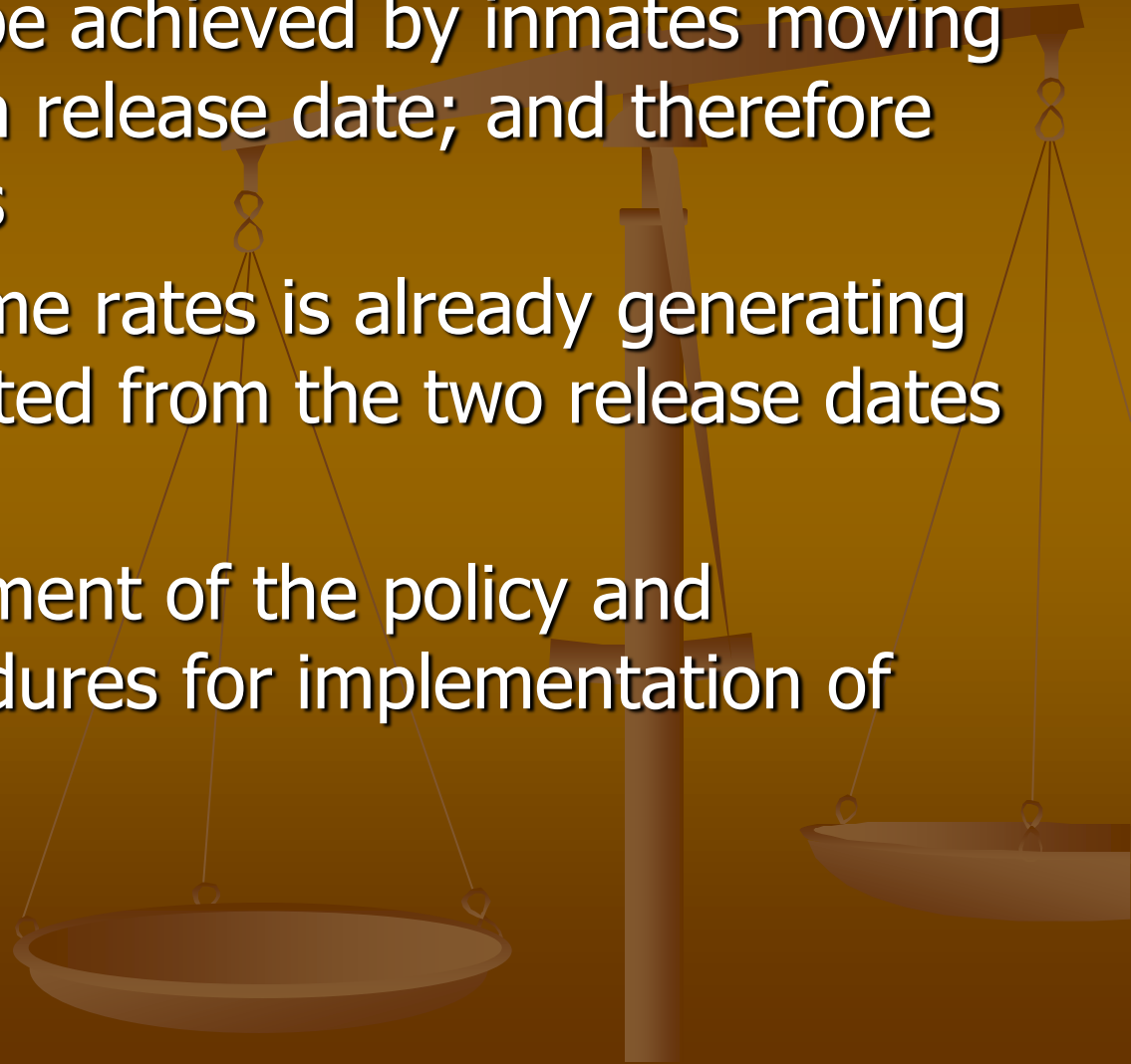
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Two Release Dates

- Review relevant policies and procedures, potential changes to release date calculations
- Identify the number of eligible inmates based on projected release dates; must serve minimum
 - Projected release dates are generated by sentence calculation which includes earn time credits
- Recent change in earn time policy to increase time credits and increase the number of eligible inmates

Two Release Dates

- Cost savings will be achieved by inmates moving closer to minimum release date; and therefore reducing bed days
- Change in earn time rates is already generating the savings expected from the two release dates policy
- Continue development of the policy and operational procedures for implementation of two release dates



Chaplains

- Eliminated 25 full-time chaplain positions at 19 medium custody facilities and 6 minimum custody facilities (larger inmate population)
- List of facilities, custody level, and inmate population (see handout)
- Maintained 20 chaplain positions at the 11 close custody facilities
 - Alexander, Bertie, Lanesboro, Foothills, Maury, Marion, Pasquotank, Scotland, Southern, Tabor City, and Western Youth
- 2 positions each at Polk, Central Prison, and NCCIW; and 3 positions at Division of Prisons Administration

Chaplains

- Religious services are critical and staff have worked diligently to ensure services continue:
 - Over 2,800 active religious volunteers
 - Minimum custody: Use volunteers to provide services in facilities where positions were eliminated
 - Medium custody: Use contractual and community/church funded chaplains
 - Trained and supervised by Programs staff at facility level; become integral part of facility staff

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CJPP Transition

- Communication with County Managers, Program Directors, and State Board Advisory Members
 - Held last meeting of current board on Sept. 30
 - Met with County Commissioners Association
 - Request for appointments of new board members
 - Preliminary information regarding new program – Treatment for Effective Community Supervision (TECS)

CJPP Transition

- Continue program operation, data collection, and monitoring as usual
- No new enrollments as of May 1, 2012
- Program ends on June 30, 2012
 - Data entry
 - Close case files

